

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re National Stage of International Application	)	
No. PCT/EP2003/003336 under 35 U.S.C.	)	
§ 371 of:	)	Group Art Unit: 1796
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Diego TIRELLI et al.	)	Examiner: N. Nutter
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Application No.: 10/551,186	)	
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PCT filed: July 7, 2006	)	Confirmation No.: 1865
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371 Date: March 31, 2003	)	
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For: THERMOPLASTIC MATERIAL	)	
COMPRISING A VULCANIZED	)	
RUBBER IN A SUBDIVIDED FORM	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**


Applicants petition for a one month extension of time to file a reply to the Office  
Action of December 5, 2008. A fee of \$130.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached  
reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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